(b) whether graduates of less service or pay were preferred to under-graduates in any department in carrying out the orders on the report of the Special Finance Committee; if so, in which department and what are the names of those so preferred and what are the reasons for doing so ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Field establishment of the Excise Department and the Education Department. Effect has not been given in the former, since it can be done only after amending certain provisions of the Abkari and Salt Regulations and in the latter, because the pay lists were found to require revision in certain cases.

(b) Yes, four graduates in the Revenue Department were preferred to under-graduates. They are:—Messrs. R. G. Krishna Ayyar, V. K. Gopala Menon, C. Sankara Menon and K. P. Rama Varmha Thirupad. They were promoted as a result of the orders passed on the report of the Special Finance Committee.

477. Mr. V. Achyuta Menon.—With regard to the revision of the pay sanctioned from 1st Chingam 1105 in Government Orders passed on the recommendation of the Special Finance Committee, will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether arrear pay has been disbursed to all the same is due to;

(b) if it has not been, whether arrear pay bills of those to whom arrear pay has not been disbursed, have been prepared and forwarded for pre-audit to the Comptroller of Accounts;

(c) if the reply is in the negative, what the reasons for the delay have been and what action has been taken against those responsible for avoidable delay ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) No.

(b) Yes; except in a few cases.

(c) As far as possible arrear pay due has been either disbursed or bills for the same have been prepared and sent to the Comptroller of Accounts for pre-audit. It has not been possible to do this for some persons, as the question of their arrear pay was referred to the Government for further orders; concerning others, the Comptroller has raised objections which have to be satisfied and this has necessitated correspondence. There has been no avoidable delay.

Representation in public service.

478. Mr. A. B. Salem.—(1) Will the Government be pleased to state the number of Government servants drawing Rs. 100 and above as salary in the services on the 8th of October 1930;

(2) Of these, how many are

(a) Brahmins

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(b) Nairs and Caste Hindus
(c) Christians
(d) Ezhuvas or Thiyyas
(e) Muslims
(f) Jews
and (g) others.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(1) 219
(2) (a) 78
(b) 91
(c) 47
(d) 3
(e) 1
(f) ..
(g) ..

Mr. A. B. Salem.—May I know whether this information tallies with the quarterly returns obtained in the Huzur Office from the various departments?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—They are not quarterly.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—There are some returns.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes. But they are half-yearly.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—Do these returns come?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—They do.

Officers drawing Rs. 200 and above.

479. **Mr. M. K. Raman.**—Will the Government be pleased to answer the following :—

(a) taking only officers who draw a monthly salary of Rs. 200 and above in the State Service, how many such officers are there now from

(1) Brahmins
(2) Nayars and Ambalavasis;
(3) Christians
(4) Ezhuvas
(5) Other non-caste Hindus;

(b) what is the total annual salary obtained by each of these castes ;

(c) what is the percentage of the population of each of these groups in the State ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—

(a)	1	Brahmins	25
	2	Nayars and Ambalavasis	22
	3	Christians	15
	4	Ezhuvas	1
	5	Other non-caste Hindus	..
			Rs.
(b)	1	Brahmins	1,09,581

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